# SOLUTIONS PRE-INTERMEDIATE 5 CULTURE 3: SCREEN EXPORT

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### **Review Unit 9**

#### Grammar

- 6 Rewrite the active sentences in the passive. Make any necessary changes. Use the present simple or the past simple.
  - 1 Every year, my school holds a competition for 'best inventor'.
  - 2 They give you materials and ask you to design something.
  - 3 My school encouraged me to take part this year.
  - 4 A group of five teachers make the final decision.
  - **5** They test the inventions for usefulness.
  - **6** They give a prize for the best invention.
  - 7 They gave the prize for the 'best inventor' to my friend Jo.
  - 8 They present the prize at the end of school ceremony.

7 Complete the email with the correct present perfect passive and future passive form of the verbs in brackets.

	Hey Pat				
	You'll never guess what's happened. I 1				
	(contact) by the Society of Inventors, and I 2				
	(inform) that next month I 3				
	(give) a prize for the most original invention! I was really				
	shocked because I 4 (never / give)				
	any kind of prize before. Some of my devices 5				
	(give) good reviews over the years, but				
	to think that I 6 (recognise) in a				
	public ceremony is really exciting! Richard and I				
	<sup>7</sup> (introduce) to several important				
	Danish inventors before the ceremony. I hope you				
	8 (invite) to the ceremony. It would				
	be great to see you there.				
	Love, Kara				

### **Use of English**

8 Complete the article with suitable words. Write one word in each gap.

### WHAT TO SEE IN HAMPSTON

interesting exhibition later this year. Have you heard about the Touring Robots? It's an exhibition that organised in Italy three months ago. It					
1 organised in Italy three months ago. It					
includes several of the first robots, which 2					
invented a long time ago, but also has a lot of new					
robots that have 3 recently developed by					
young scientists. The exhibition was so popular that					
4 was decided that it should tour Europe.					
It's coming to our town later in the year. We haven't					
been given an exact date 5, but it will					
probably be in November. This exhibition will be very					
popular, so make sure you book tickets soon, or they					
will 6 sold out.					

### I can ...

Read the statements. Think about your progress and tick one of the boxes.

= I need more practice.

 $\star\star\star$  = No problem!

 $\star\star$  = I sometimes find this difficult.

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I can describe gadgets and talk about their use.			
I can use the present and past passive to talk about technology.			
I can identify the speaker's intention.			
I can use different forms of the passive.			
I can understand and use verb + preposition collocations.			
I can understand a text about forgotten inventions.			
I can complain about faulty goods in a shop.			
I can write a formal letter.			

## WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN YOU'RE FREE?





REALITY SHOW





### PERIOD DRAMA





SITCOM





SOAP OPERA



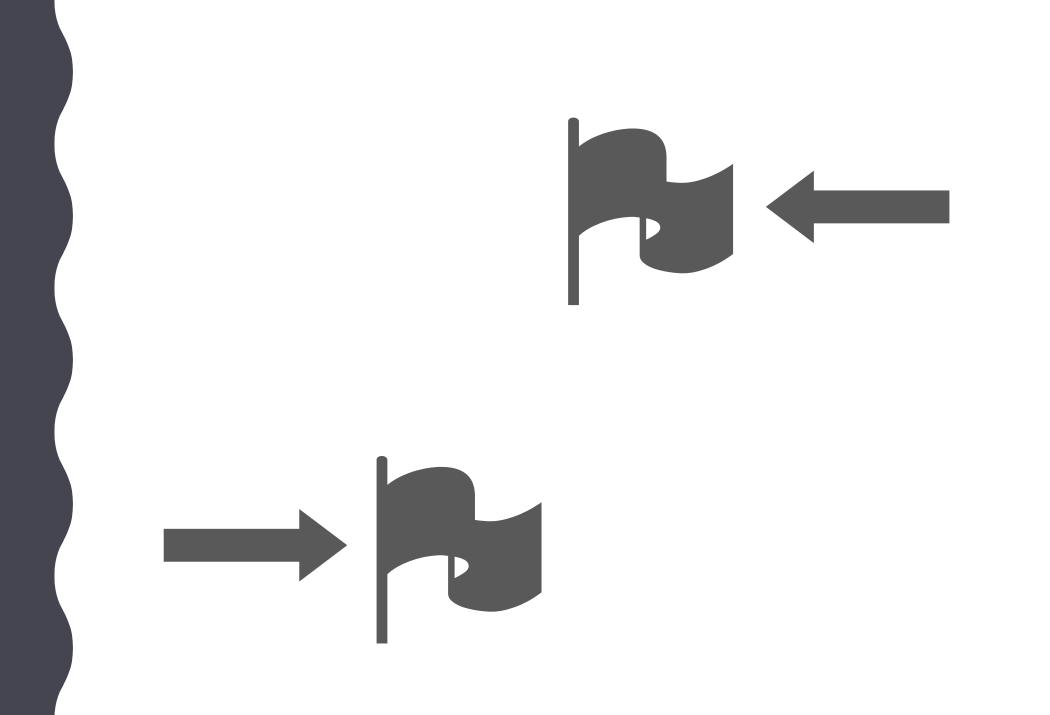


DOCUMENTARY

1 SPEAKING Look at the photos. Do you know these TV programmes? What types of programmes do you think they are? Choose from the words below.

chat show documentary drama sitcom talent show science fiction





# Import 194-



# BRITS around the world

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Selling British TV programmes to countries around the world is an important industry for the UK. It brings in around £1.3 billion a year. The top countries for British TV exports are 1) the USA, 2) Sweden, 3) Denmark, 4) Germany and 5) Norway.

There are two main types of TV export: finished programmes and formats. When countries buy a finished programme, it is ready to broadcast on their own channels. When they buy a format, they are just buying the idea for a programme. They then have to make the programme in their own language and with people and places from their own countries.

Many of the finished programmes are dramas. For example, the historical drama Downton Abbey is very popular in many countries. Midsomer Murders, a detective drama from

1997, is still a huge favourite around the world. Wildlife documentaries are also an important export.

Popular British formats include several talent shows: The X Factor and Strictly Come Dancing are two well-known examples. Cookery programmes are very popular too. For example, local versions of Masterchef are on TV in more than forty different countries, including India and Iran.

Different TV shows are popular in different countries. For example, the science fiction show Doctor Who is very popular in Turkey and many other countries. But when a TV company in Finland bought the programme, audiences there did not like it at all. They prefer an old police drama called Heartbeat, which was popular in the UK twenty years ago and only sells to a few countries.

### 3 Are the sentences true or false? Write T or F.

- 1 Countries around the world spend more than £1 billion a year on British TV programmes. \_\_\_
- 2 The finished programmes which the UK exports are all dramas. \_\_\_
- 3 In India and Iran, you can watch British people taking part in a cookery programme. \_\_\_
- **4** Doctor Who is popular in Turkey but not in most other countries. \_\_\_
- 5 Heartbeat is popular in Finland but not in most other countries. \_\_\_



4 (3.22) Listen to the information about *Top Gear*. What is the most important reason for the show's popularity?

5 3.22 Listen again. Circle the correct answers.



2 Most countries show their own / the British version of the programme.

3 The programme first appeared in 1977 / 1987.

It began a new format in 2002 with three / two main presenters.

4 About 14 / 40 per cent of the viewers are female.

The 2002 format introduced a new presenter / racing driver called The Stig.



### **6 SPEAKING** Ask and answer the questions in pairs.

- 1 Do you ever watch any of the shows mentioned in the text in exercise 2? What do you think of them?
- 2 In general, do you prefer programmes from your own country or other countries? Why?

### MAKEALISTOF ANY OTHER SCREEN EXPORT YOU WATCH.

### DO YOU REMEMBER THE CSI EFFECT?



# ASSIGNMENT: SUMMARY

**DEADLINE: THURSDAY**